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SUBJECT:SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH SOUTH AFRICAN AMBASSADOR

ABIDJAN FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFLELE

1. DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN AT PRESS BRIEFING JULY 14 VOLUNTEERED STATEMENT RE SECRETARY'S MEETING TUESDAY WITH SOUTH AFRICAN AMBASSADOR R. F. BOTHA.

2. FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS OF BRIEFING, INCLUDING SPOKESMAN'S STATEMENT: "SECRETARY MET LATE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON WITH SOUTH AFRICAN AMBASSADOR BOTHA FOR ABOUT AN HOUR. THEY DISCUSSED MR. SCHAUFLELE'S TRIP TO SOUTHERN AFRICA AS WELL AS HAVING A FURTHER EXCHANGE OF VIEWS OF SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA."

3. Q: "DID THEY DISCUSS POSSIBILITY OF ANOTHER KISSINGER MEETING WITH VORSTER? IS THAT WHAT YOU ARE SAYING?"

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A: "NO. I SAID THEY HAD A FURTHER EXCHANGE OF VIEWS

OF SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA."

4. Q: "IS THERE NOW POSSIBILITY THAT THERE COULD BE ANOTHER KISSINGER-VORSTER MEETING IN FORESEEABLE FUTURE?"

A: "I'M JUST NOT ABLE TO SAY TODAY."

5. Q: "HOW IS VISIT GOING" IS HE MAKING ANY PROGRESS WITH BLACK AFRICAN LEADERS TO ACHIEVE ANY AGREED POSITION THAT WILL PARALLEL TALKS SECRETARY HAD WITH MR. VORSTER?"

A: "I AM NOT ABLE TO CHARACTERIZE HIS TALKS AT THIS POINT."

6. Q: WHO TOOK INITIATIVE FOR THIS MEETING?"

A: "I DON'T KNOW FOR SURE BUT I ASSUME IT WAS SECRETARY."

7. Q: "DOES THIS MEAN THAT HE HAS SOME RESULTS OR SOME NEW INFORMATION OR SOME IDEAS WHICH HAVE DEVELOPED FROM SCHAUFELLE'S TRIP WHICH NEED TO BE PASSED ON TO SOUTH AFRICANS?"

A: "I'M REALLY NOT ABLE TO CHARACTERIZE IT MORE THAN WAY I HAVE DESCRIBED IT."

8. Q: "OR SOME NEW OBSTACLES?"

A: "IT STILL REMAINS WAY I DESCRIBED IT."

9. Q: "HAS MR. SCHAUFELLE BEEN REPORTING BACK ON HIS TRIP?"

A: "YES, EVERY DAY." KISSINGER

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